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Application No: 09/843,486	)	Art Unit: 2811
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Filed: April 25, 2001	)	
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For: OPTIMAL SIMULTANEOUS DESIGN	)	
AND FLOORPLANNING OF	)	
<u>INTEGRATED CIRCUIT</u>	)	

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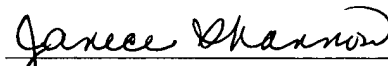
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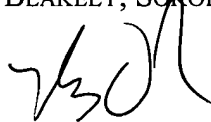
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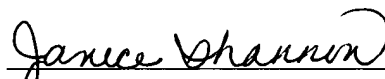
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